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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: RUBBER-MODIFIED STYRENIC

RESIN, METHOD FOR PRODUCING IT, AND SHEET OF THE RESIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

1. (Amended) A rubber-modified styrenic resin comprising a plurality of particles of a rubbery polymer, said particles dispersed in said resin, wherein said resin has a continuous phase with a weight-average molecular weight (MwL) of between 180,000 and 280,000, and

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